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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Geography Division, ORR

Project Initiation Memorandum

To: Chief, Geographic Research

Project No. 63.1706

From: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 1 October 1958

1. Subject of Proposed Project: Macedonia: Perennial Bone of Contention.
2. Statement of Problem: To prepare a geographic intelligence memorandum on Macedonia, occasioned by present Bulgarian-Yugoslav bickering over the area.
3. Outline:
 - a. Present significance: An issue between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia in the wider setting of Bloc vs. Yugoslav difference.
 - b. What is Macedonia?
 - 1.) Location and boundaries.
 - 2.) Threefold division: Yugoslav, Bulgarian, Greek.
 - 3.) Historical significance.
 - 4.) Strategic location and routes.
 - 5.) Economic factors.
 - 6.) Nationalities.
 - c. Present relations between the three parts.
 - 1.) Improvement in Greek-Bulgarian relations.
 - 2.) Deterioration in Bulgarian-Yugoslav relations.
 - d. Conclusions.
4. Requester: Self-initiated. 5. Responsible Analysts: 25X1A9a [REDACTED] CG/E.
6. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired: D/GC to prepare map.
7. Estimated Man Hours: 75 in CG/E. 8. Probable Completion Date: 1 November 58.
9. Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR-CM-

Approved: (signed)
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Assistant Director, ORR

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Notes on Buckslip:

To Ch/G from AD/RR:

What happened to this? I indicated that this study was
of questionable value for a GM. /s/ OEG (24 Feb 1959)

To Ch/D/GG from Ch/G:

AD/RR has agreed the final production seems worthwhile. (11 Mar 59)